

THE WEATHER.

OKLAHOMA: Thursday fair, warm; Friday fair.
TULSA, May 5.—Maximum, 66; minimum, 43; Thursday north winds and clear.

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CONFERENCE AT DEADLOCK ON ARMY MEASURE

Split on Federal Volunteer Army and \$15,000,000 Nitrate Plant Plans.

TENTATIVELY AGREE ON STANDING ARMY

Republicans Say Nitrate Provision Is Urged by 'Waterpower' Lobby.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Conferees on the army reorganization bill late today disagreed on important features of the measure and adjourned until matters in disagreement can be taken up in the house.

The rocks on which the committee broke were the federal volunteer army and the \$15,000,000 government nitrate plant amendments adopted by the senate.

Notwithstanding the disagreement, Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the senate conferees, said tonight he had hopes that a good bill eventually would be worked out.

"The house conferees would not yield to the senate provision for the volunteer army or the government nitrate plant," said the senator. "There are a number of minor points in the bill also which are in disagreement, but the main points seem thus far to be the only irreconcilable features."

Gives Out Statement.
Representative Hay has promised to return the nitrate plant amendment to the house for further instructions. He flatly stated, however, that the house would not accept the volunteer army and the senate conferees would not recede. In view of the apparent impasse the conferees adjourned not to meet again until an effort is made to get further instructions from the house. We do not expect to take up the disputed points in the senate at this time because our conferees are unanimous and the senate has already passed on the subjects in controversy.

Up to the time of the break, which had been forecast, the conferees had tentatively agreed on a standing army in peace time of 180,000 men, forty thousand more than the house bill carried and an elastic organization scheme contained in the senate bill which would provide for expansion in time of war or threatened war, to 220,000 men. They also had agreed to the house bill reorganization plan for the national guard which would provide for federalization of this reserve force and its expansion to approximately four hundred thousand men.

Early in the day Representative Eay, chairman of the house conferees, discussed the volunteer army provision of the senate bill with President Wilson. The president was understood to favor it although no statement was made regarding the conference.

Discusses Features.
Representative Hay also discussed with the president the nitrate plant feature and the president insisted that it should be left in the bill. This attitude of the president is understood to have precipitated the disagreement today.

If the president continues to insist on the nitrate plant provision, it was declared, another clash between the executive and the house would ensue. Republicans are standing solidly against the nitrate provision, insisting that it is being urged by a "water power" lobby. Many Democrats also oppose it. Chairman Hay said tonight, however, there was no ground for the charge that the water power interests would profit by the erection of a plant.

ARREST REGISTRARS ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Gain for Week Was 240 Per Cent Over Same Period Last Year.

MALESTER, Okla., May 4.—The first clash over the registration of negro voters under the new Oklahoma registration law occurred here Thursday when Harold Moles, Pittsburg county registrar, and John L. Vaggoner, precinct registrar for the first precinct of the first ward in McAlester, were arrested on warrants cut of the United States commissioner's office, charging conspiracy to deprive O. H. Smith, negro, of the right of suffrage by refusing him a registration certificate. In preliminary hearing this afternoon both were bound over to the federal grand jury under bonds of \$1,000 each.

Gov. Robert L. Williams, who was in McAlester tonight, was much interested in the case.

SAY GERMAN NOTE NOW ON WAY TO AMERICA IMPOSES TERMS U.S. CANNOT MEET

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Secretary Lansing announced late today that a dispatch from Ambassador Gerard contains indications of what the ambassador believes would constitute Germany's reply to the American note on submarine warfare. Secretary Lansing declined to make public the dispatch or any part of its contents or to say what the indication was on the ground that the dispatch was highly confidential.

The dispatch was immediately sent to President Wilson. The secretary explained it was not certain that Ambassador Gerard's deductions were absolutely accurate as he had not seen the text of Germany's reply. In spite of Secretary Lansing's flat refusal to discuss the contents of a dispatch received today from Ambassador Gerard, it became known late today that in view of such information as had been received, official and unofficial, officials of the government fear that Germany has attached conditions to her reply that may make it impossible for the United States to continue diplomatic relations.

Germany's manifesto of February 8 to the principles of which press dispatches from Berlin indicate the imperial government adheres in its reply to the American note is assumed by officials of the state department to be the memorandum of that date, declaring that in future all armed merchant ships of belligerent nationality would be considered warships subject to attack without warning.

While officials would not comment on the Berlin reference to the manifesto of February 8, they reiterated that the Berlin reference was prepared to stand unalterably by the position taken in the last note. The note, which was designed to permit of no argument, gave notice that unless Germany immediately declared and effected an abandonment of present methods of submarine warfare, against passenger and freight carrying vessels, the United States could not do otherwise than sever diplomatic relations.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Germany's reply to the demand of the United States for immediate abandonment of present methods of submarine warfare, delivered to Ambassador Gerard today, was awaited by officials of the Washington government with expected tension. They were without any definite idea of what the communication contained. A brief message from Ambassador Gerard as well as press reports, however, had created the impression that the imperial government would propose conditions which the United States could not accept.

It was reiterated that President Wilson stood unalterably by the position declared in the note to Germany: Abandonment of present submarine methods must be declared and effected immediately or the United States must sever diplomatic relations. This was designed to permit of no argument and high officials repeatedly have asserted that anything short of a literal compliance would be followed by a diplomatic rupture.

The official copy of the note hardly will reach Washington before tomorrow night, but the document was given to the press in Berlin late today and the unofficial text was expected to reach the United States early tomorrow morning.

Ambassador Gerard's message was sent before he had examined the note itself. Its meaning was not entirely clear because of errors in transmission of the diplomatic cipher.

LANE INJUNCTION HEARING PUT OFF UNTIL NEXT FRIDAY

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Hearings on O'Connell injunction suit against Secretary of War, scheduled for today, has been postponed until Friday afternoon; the department has not as yet filed its answer to the suit.

Gentleman Raffles Appropriates Gowns and Other Feminine Appurtenances Worth Near \$1,000

Flickering the rays of his flashlight over the bespangled and shimmering creations of afternoon and evening party gowns, silks and satins of the daintiest hue, a master thief and thought to be a connoisseur of those things, which give to a lady's wardrobe its greatest distinction, Wednesday night let his eyes, even his fingers, linger on gowns valued at nearly \$1,000 as they hung in the Epperson's store and when the place was opened for business Thursday morning, the gowns were gone.

About 11 o'clock Wednesday night Patrolman Francis, who is assigned to the East Third beat, in trying the entrance to the Epperson store, discovered that one of the rear windows had been forced.

He reported the fact to the police station and another officer was sent out to assist the patrolman in making a search of the premises. One of the windows was found open, having been forced by the use of a jimmy and the officers proceeded to make an investigation of the interior of the store.

Kept in Lockers.
The garments are kept in lockers on hangers, and as the thief took several of the hangers along with the garments, the officers were unable to discover if the thief had been successful in securing anything of value before being frightened away.

A report of the investigation was made to the night sergeant and it was not until the store was opened for business yesterday morning that the loss was discovered.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY COMMITTEE MEETS

Registration Will Be Discussed at Republican Headquarters.

MEETING IS TONIGHT

Voters in Precinct Ten Will Now Have a Chance to Register.

TO combat the confusion attending the registration and to improve upon the voters of Tulsa county the absolute necessity of their registering now if they ever again want to vote in Oklahoma a special meeting of the Republican county central committee has been called for tonight at 7:30 o'clock. The meeting will be held in Republican headquarters, rooms 269 and 270, in the Robinson Arcade.

The meeting was called yesterday by Chairman A. A. Small, who is being every hour of the day by voters reporting trouble in registering and other disturbing factors. Plans will be formulated tonight to see that every legal voter is registered before May 10, when the registration closes.

Don't Recognize Import.
Apparently the voters do not recognize the importance of registering or the results would not be so discouraging," said Mr. Small yesterday. "I spend a great deal of my time at Republican headquarters and in seeing many of the voters. The telephone is busy every minute and I have directed scores of voters to their registrars, but still the results are very unsatisfactory."

Many of the precinct committee-men have issued cards urging the voters to register. These cards have been distributed to every home in the precinct. We are exhausting every bit of energy to get every voter's name on the registration slip, but the results are painfully slow.

Appoints Deputy.
After being without a registrar for nearly three days Registrar T. L. Wallace yesterday appointed J. L. Mason to act as registrar in precinct ten. Fred Kitchen was appointed and took up the work the first day. The day following he announced he could not carry on the registration as it interfered with his business. No appointment was made until today when Fred Kitchen announced his resignation.

Mason is a Socialist. Throughout the day he was busily engaged in procuring the names of voters in precinct ten. Many of the voters had begun to think that they would not get a chance to register and when it was learned a deputy registrar had been appointed, some even left their work to locate him and get one of the much-to-be-desired certificates.

All Disgusted.
Democrats and Republicans are disgusted with the unusual delay, but have decided to make the best of it and be on the safe side. In most of the precincts only a small per cent of the legal voters have yet registered.

Failure to register now means that you can never vote again in Oklahoma. There are only a few more days in which to register. Do it now.

ADVOCATE MILITARY TRAINING FOR WOMEN

Delegates to Federation Convention Discuss Preparedness Plans.

Special to The World.
MUSKOGEE, May 4.—Delegates to the Third district federation here today discussed the question of military preparedness as it applies to women and children, in which Mrs. A. J. Hagan of Collinsville urged that the boy scout and campfire girl movement should be given every encouragement in order to inculcate the idea of preparedness.

"Every school campus," Mrs. Hagan said, "should present a scene of military training. Women and girls should be taught first aid and the boys and children should be taught how to handle weapons necessary to the defense of their country."

Although many of the delegates let it be known that they are "for peace at any price," Mrs. Hagan's remarks were greeted with applause. A musical program was rendered at the evening session. The convention will close tomorrow.

Cardinal Dies.
PARIS, May 4.—(11:20 a. m.)—Hector Irenaeus Sevin, Cardinal Archbishop of Lyons, died today. He was 64 years of age and was created cardinal in May, 1914.

OKLAHOMAN MAN IS STRONG FOR TULSA

Business Manager of Capital Newspaper Makes His First Visit Here.

C. W. Boggs, vice-president and business manager of the Daily Oklahoman at Oklahoma City, paid his first visit to Tulsa yesterday.

"You certainly have a wonderful city here," he declared yesterday afternoon, "and I am truly surprised at what I have seen. I have been hearing a lot about Tulsa, but really, I had no idea that you were so prosperous, so live and enjoying such a rapid growth."

Mr. Boggs was not here on any particular business, but merely ran over to take a peep at the second largest city in the state.

Say America Renews Cession Negotiations for Danish West Indies

Report Follows Repeated Conferences of Constantin Brun, Danish Minister, With Secretary Lansing; Authentically Rumored That Danish Government Is Financially Embarrassed; Tentative Moves Have Been Made in Matter Several Times Before.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Several visits of Constantin Brun, the Danish minister, to the state department for extended conferences with Secretary Lansing, the latest being this afternoon, have given color to a report that the American government has renewed the negotiations that have been conducted spasmodically and at long intervals for the last 25 years looking to the cession of the Danish West Indian islands, St. Thomas, St. Croix and St. John, to the United States.

Both Secretary Lansing and Minister Brun refuse to discuss the subject, but it is recognized that such an attitude would of necessity be observed in initial stages of any negotiations of this kind. Intimations have come to Washington recently that the Danish government itself, embarrassed by serious labor troubles which have occurred in the West Indies resulting in curtailment of revenue and making necessary appropriations by the home government, would not be averse to reopening the negotiation for the cession of the group where they lapsed fourteen years ago.

Secretary Hay on January 24, 1902, signed a treaty with Minister Brun to transfer the islands to the United States for \$5,000,000. The United States senate approved this convention as did the lower house of the Danish parliament, but opposition developed in the Danish upper house and the treaty failed of ratification there by a vote of 32 to 32.

From that date until recently there had been no official move in the matter, but from time to time certain individuals, animated, it is supposed, by the prospect of a commission for their services, have made unofficial efforts to sound out both governments and renew the negotiations.

The present state of pre-occupation of some of the great European powers, who are believed to have influence in the past to prevent acquisition of the islands by the United States, it is suggested, probably has its effect in causing the subject to be taken up at this time.

DENY INSTRUCTING TO DISBAR NEGROES TO DISBAR NEGROES

State Election Board Disclaims Any Knowledge of "Grandfather" Methods.

STILL COMPLAINTS PAST MISTAKES TELL

United States Commissioner Efforts to Disfranchise the Voters Obvious; Administration Alarmed.

Special to The World.
OKLAHOMA CITY, May 4.—"All-falfa Bill" Murray is mad, Governor Bob Williams is mad, and the Fourth congressional district is rapidly becoming a hotbed of anti-administration Democratic politics, with the chances strongly favoring the nomination of an anti-administration Democrat for congress from that district.

Judge Tom McKeown has been thrown into the breach in an effort to swing the district back to "Bob" and his politics, but it looks as though the effort has been made too late to retrieve the mistakes of the past.

The Socialists, already strong in that part of the state, are making a vigorous fight on all Democrats who support the state administration and the vicious registration law and the Republicans are doing likewise. Judge H. H. Smith of Shawnee, a strong anti-administration Democrat, is an avowed candidate for congress from that district and in view of the strong battle he put up two years ago against the present congressman, Bill Murray, it looks as though he would come out ahead of both Murray and the catspaw, McKeown.

Made An Agreement.
Murray and Governor Williams formerly had an agreement for mutual interest growing out of the compact made by the governor with certain congressmen. But the Williams administration grew so unpopular that the other congressmen, except Murray, kept in the background and stayed away from the state convention. Williams had agreed to make Murray a delegate to the national convention and support him for re-election.

After the convention Williams heard alarming reports that Murray was growing weak in his district and sent his scouts out over the territory.

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There Are Only 6 More Days in which to Register

Register today and avoid being disfranchised for life.

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PROSPERITY TALK

From statistics just gathered it is learned that Tulsa has more jobs than men to fill them, and that new positions are being opened every day. The industrial activities here give employment to more than five thousand men.

MEET TO MAP OUT PLANS IN UNITED HUNT

Plan of Co-operative Action Is Acceptable to President Wilson.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—President Wilson announced tonight that the tentative agreement between General Scott and General Carranza covering the future operations of the American and Mexican military forces in Mexico "provides a basis of co-operation which promises to prevent misunderstandings and strengthen the relations of the two republics."

FINAL MEETING OF GENERALS SATURDAY

Agreement Calls for Active Campaign by Carranza Troops Against Bandits.

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EL PASO, May 4.—The final meeting between Generals Scott and Carranza at which the details of the agreement for the co-operative pursuit of Villa bandits by Mexican and American troops will be worked out, will be held either late tomorrow or early Saturday.

This is the information General Scott is understood to have conveyed to General Carranza today during a brief courtesy visit to the Mexican minister of war in Juarez.

As General Carranza possesses plenary powers he will be fully able to make any arrangements to satisfy the wishes of the Washington government as to the exact form the agreement will take. He was in touch with General Carranza today and is said to have found his actions in entire accord with the ideas of the first chief.

General Carranza, military governor, and Adolfo de la Huerta, civil governor of Sonora, arrived this afternoon for a conference regarding routine matters at which the general proceeded to Queretaro to join General Carranza.

General Trevino received a report that Villa bandits, under the notorious Juarez Rules, last night attempted to cut the railway tracks between Jimenez and Escalante, but were routed by Carranza forces under General Ignacio Romas.

Sent Notification.
WASHINGTON, May 4.—Notification that the plan of co-operative action in the Mexican border region in the El Paso conference is acceptable to the Washington government was forwarded to General Scott late today by Secretary Baker. Pending its formal acceptance by General Carranza, administration officials here decline to make public its details. There was no doubt in official circles, however, that the plan would be ratified within a few hours at most and the disturbing situation on the border and in northern Mexico be disposed of.

Secretary Baker carried to the White House today General Scott's report of his meetings with General Carranza at which the agreement was worked out. Later he also informed Secretary Lansing of the plan. Instructions to General Scott authorizing him to hold a final conference

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SAYS HE HELPED TO ROB BANK OF VIAN

Emmett Compton Turns State; Will Testify Against Others.

Special to The World.
VIAN, Okla., May 4.—Emmett Compton of Muskogee pleaded guilty in the circuit court here this morning to a charge of having participated in the robbery of the First National bank at Vian several weeks ago. Sentence was deferred. Compton and Nig Crittendon, former Oklahoma convict, were apprehended shortly after the robbery and the former confessed, implicating a number of Vian residents in the robbery, the authorities say.

When the cases were called to trial this morning the defendants were granted separate trials and the state elected to try James Bradshaw, a Vian farmer. By night time a jury had been procured and a few witnesses examined. A number of the jurors were asked whether they were members of the Working Class union, to which a number of the defendants belong. Several replied in the affirmative. Some of them were dismissed from service, while others were accepted. Compton is to be the state's star witness against the defendants.